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CURRENT AND PAST POSITIONS

2008-present Assistant Professor of Modern European History, Department of History,
University of Southern Mississippi
2007-2008 Sessional instructor, Department of History, University of Toronto

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, 2008 University of Toronto
Dissertation: "Raising Germans in the Age of Empire: Education and the Modern Colonial Imagination in Germany, 1871-1914"
Advisor: Prof. Modris Eksteins
Committee Members: Profs. James Retallack, Eric Jennings, John Noyes, Helmut Walser Smith
M.A., History, 1999 University of Cincinnati
Thesis: "Securing a Colonial *Heimat*: Constructing an Imperial German Identity in Southwest Africa, 1904-1907"
Advisor: Prof. Thomas Sakmyster
B.A., History, 1995 Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky
Honors project: "Brotherhood and Unity? The Failure of Tito's Communist Vision"

PUBLICATIONS

Publications in Progress

Book *Raising Germans in the Age of Empire: Youth and Colonial Culture, 1871-1914*. Oxford Studies in Modern European History. Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2012.

Articles

2011 "Classroom Colonialism: Race, Pedagogy, and Patriotism in Imperial Germany." In *German Colonialism in a Global Age, 1884-1945*. Eds. Geoff Eley and Bradley D. Naranch. Durham, N.c.: Duke University Press, forthcoming 2011. MS 16 pages.
2011 "Boy's and Girl's Own Empires: Gender and the Uses of the Colonial World in Kaiserreich Youth Magazines." In *German Colonialism and National Identity*. Eds. Michael Perraudin and Jürgen Zimmerer. 57-68. New York: Routledge, 2011.

- 2008 "Kolonial-Lehrling wider Willen: Bernhard Epassi in Deutschland 1896-1901." In *Unbekannte Biographien: Afrikaner im deutschsprachigen Raum vom 18. Jahrhundert bis zum Ende des Zweites Weltkrieges*. Ed. Ulrich van der Heyden. 103-117. Berlin: Kai Homilius Verlag, 2008.
- 2008 "Bamberg: Die kolonialen Wurzeln der Pfadfinder." In *Kolonialismus hierzulande: Eine Spurensuche in Deutschland*. Eds. Ulrich van der Heyden and Joachim Zeller. 240-45. Erfurt: Sutton Verlag, 2008.
- 2005 "Neuer Lebensraum in unseren Kolonien: Die Berliner Kolonialausstellung von 1933." In "...Macht und Anteil an der Weltherrschaft". *Berlin und der deutsche Kolonialismus*. Eds. Ulrich van der Heyden and Joachim Zeller. 177-183. Münster: UNRAST-Verlag, 2005.
- 2003 "Loyal Sons of the Church and Fatherland? Center-Polish Relations in Upper-Silesia, 1871-1912." *Canadian Journal of History/Annales canadiennes d'histoire* Vol. 38 (August 2003): 231-57.
- Book reviews and conference reports published in *Canadian Journal of History/Annales canadiennes de l'histoire* (2011), *American Journal of Play* (2010), *German History* (2009, 2003), *Jahrbuch für Überseegeschichte* (2008), H-Net Reviews (2006, 2004).

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2010 Honorable Mention, H-German Syllabus Contest (for German Lands in the 19th and 20th Centuries).
- 2010 Nominee (1 of 2) from the University of Southern Mississippi, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer 2011 Stipend
- 2009 University of Toronto Nominee, Distinguished Dissertation Award in the Humanities/Fine Arts, CGS/UMI (chosen as the sole nominee from all dissertations in the humanities completed between 1 July 2007 and 30 June 2009)
- 2006 Margaret Higgins Memorial Graduate Fellowship, University of Toronto Humanities Centre
- 2006 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Joint Initiative in German and European Studies, Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto
- 2005-6 Dissertation Completion Grant, School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto
- 2005 Georg-Eckert Institute for International Textbook Research Research Scholarship
- 2004, 2005 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Graduate Research Scholarship
- 2004 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2004 Finalist, Chancellor Jackman Graduate Student Fellowship, Chancellor Jackman Program for the Arts, University of Toronto
- 2003-5 Special Supplemental Research Grant, Joint Initiative in German and European Studies, Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto
- 2001-2006 University of Toronto Graduate Fellowship
- 2001 Zane L. Miller Graduate Paper Award, University of Cincinnati, First Prize
- 2000 University of Cincinnati Graduate Fellowship

1999 Taft Fellowship, University of Cincinnati

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lectures

- 2009 "Playing out the Boxer War through Toys and Print Media." *The Boxer War and Its Media: Making a Transnational Historical Event, 1900 to the Present*. Universität Erfurt (Germany).
- 2007 "Performing Race: Germans and Black Entertainers in the Imperial Period." *Racial and Ethnic Identities in Transnational Histories Roundtable*, University of Toronto.
- 2007 "German Youth and Visions of the Colonial World." *Faculty/Graduate Student Colloquium in European Studies*, Joint Initiative in German and European Studies, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto.
- 2007 "Boys' and Girls' Own Empire: Colonial Education and Entertainment in Germany, 1871-1914." *Culture and Empire: A Graduate Colloquium*, McMaster University.
- 2007 "Grappling with Empire: Colonialism and Modern German History." *University of Toronto Humanities Centre Workshop*, University of Toronto.
- 2006 "Playing with Empire: 'Colonial' Toys and Education in Germany, 1871-1914." *Deconstructing History Colloquium*, University of Toronto.
- 2006 "Classroom Colonialism: Exoticism and Empire in German Education, 1871-1914." *Faculty/Graduate Student Colloquium in European Studies*, Joint Initiative for German and European Studies, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto.

Selected Conference Experience

- 2010 "Confessing to an Imperial Mission: Religious Youth Periodicals and the Battle for the Future in Turn-of-the-Century Germany." *Politics within Nineteenth Century Missionary Periodicals*, Münster, Germany.
- 2010 "The Civilizing Power of Religion: Empire, Entertainment, and Confession in Turn-of-the-Century German Youth Journals." *German Studies Association Annual Conference*, Oakland, CA.
- 2009 Commentator, "Pedagogical Narratives: The Body and Education around 1900." *German Studies Association Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C.
- 2008 "Reforming Education through Empire." *German Studies Association Annual Conference*, St. Paul, Minnesota.
- 2007 "Where Profit Meets Pedagogy." *Germany's Colonialism in International Perspective*, San Francisco State University.
- 2006 "A Colonial Generation: Germans and the Wider World, 1880s-1914." *Midwest German History Workshop*, University of Toronto.
- 2006 "Colonial Playthings: Toys and Games, Education and Empire in Germany, 1880-1914." *German Studies Association Annual Conference*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 2006 "Exotic Education: Writing Empire for Young Germans, 1884-1914." *War, Genocide and Memory: German Colonialism and National Identity*, University of Sheffield (UK).

- 2006 "They Had the Whole World in Their Hands: A Playful Look at Empire." *Second American-Canadian Conference in German and Modern European History*, Canisius College, Buffalo, New York.
- 2006 "Colonized Classrooms: Introducing German Students to the Empire, 1884-1914." *American Historical Association*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2004 "Manipulating the Civilizing Mission in the Metropole: Colonial Performers and the 'First German Colonial Exhibition' of 1896." *Canadian Historical Association*, University of Manitoba.
- 2004 "Bringing the Empire Home: Spectacle, Contact, and Response at the 'First German Colonial Exhibition' of 1896." *Cultural Imperialism and Competition: Travel, World's Fairs and National/Colonial Image*, Nineteenth Century Studies Association, St. Louis, Missouri.

COURSES TAUGHT/SCHEDULED TO TEACH

Modern European history

The German Lands in the 19th and 20th Centuries (grad. and undergrad.) (2009, 2011)
 Modern European Historiography (grad.) (2011)
 Europe in the Nineteenth Century (undergrad.) (2010)
 Nations and Nationalism (grad.) (2011)
 Nazi Germany (grad. and undergrad.) (2009, 2011)
 The Divided City: The History of Modern Berlin (undergrad.) (2008, 2010)

World history

Senior capstone: Empires in World History (2011) (undergrad.)
 Imperialism and the Modern World (grad. and undergrad.) (2008, 2012)
 Honors World Civilizations to 1500: Voyagers in World History (undergrad.) (2010)
 World Civilizations to 1500 (undergrad.) (2008-2012)

Methodology

Doing History (undergrad.) (2009, 2011)
 Historiography (undergrad.) (2008)

SERVICE

Departmental service

National History Day organizing committee (2008-9, chair 2009-present)
 Graduate professionalism committee, co-chair (2009, 2009-present)
 Awards committee, chair (2011-present)
 Latin America search committee (2011-12)
 Graduate travel committee (2011-present)
 Undergraduate program committee (2010-present)
 Tenure and promotion revisions committee (2010)
 University priorities committee (2010)
 General education curriculum committee (2010)
 World civilizations textbook committee (2009-present)
 World civilizations faculty mentor (2009)

Advising

Doctoral committee, supervisor: Jason Engel (2009-present)
 Masters committee: Nancy Nichols (2010-2011)
 Masters committee: Meghan Waldow (2009-10)
 Masters committee: Jonathan Thomas (2009)
 Undergraduate honors thesis: Jeffrey Guillot (2009-10)

University service

ALLIES Program Training, University of Southern Mississippi, 2010
 Judge, *College of Arts & Letters Undergraduate Conference*, University of Southern Mississippi (2009-2011)
 Commentator, *College of Arts & Letters Undergraduate Conference*, University of Southern Mississippi, 7 March, 2009
 Commentator, *Phi Alpha Theta History Undergraduate Conference*, University of Southern Mississippi, 28 March 2009

Public service and community involvement

State Coordinator, Mississippi National History Day (2009-present)
 Administrator, Online Resources, www.usm.edu/history/NHD/Resources.html (2009-present)
 Roundtable leader, *War Stories. Center for the Study of War and Society Roundtable*, 12 April 2011
The Big Event, community service at USM Center for Child Development, 2 April 2011.
 with Dr. Amy Milne-Smith, "Dashiell Hammett in Europe." *The Big Read: Dashiell Hammett*, Hattiesburg, MS, 18 October 2010
 Guest lecturer, "1848: Springtime of the Peoples." *Osher Lifelong Learning Institute*, University of Southern Mississippi, 29 September 2010
 Roundtable leader, *The Red Fighter Pilot. Center for the Study of War and Society Roundtable*, 10 November 2009
 Guest commentator, "Why Americans Find It Hard to Discuss Issues of Race." *Talk of the Town*, hosted by Dr. Curtis Austin, Radio program of the Center for Black Studies, University of Southern Mississippi (92.1 WJMG & 93.1 WGDQ), 25 February 2009

Professional service

Manuscript reviewer, McGraw-Hill Higher Education Group (2010-2011)
 Proposal reviewer, SAGE Publications (2011)
 Advisor, Editorial Board for World History, McGraw-Hill Higher Education Group (2010)
 Author of "Imperialism" module McGraw-Hill *Connect* resource (2010)
 Manuscript reviewer, Oxford University Press (2009)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association
 German Studies Association
 Gesellschaft für Überseegegeschichte
 World History Association
 Society for the History of Childhood and Youth
